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SUBJECT: TURKEY: REQUEST TO MEET WITH PLO REPRESENTATIVE

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(C) Per reftel, Embassy requests permission to meet with the PLO Ankara mission to discuss PA President Abbas' November 12-13 trip to Turkey. The PLO mission is led by Fatah-affiliated Ambassador Nabil Maarouf, whom we believe has strong ties to Abbas. In conjunction with Israeli President Peres' concurrent visit, the GOT has extended an invitation to both leaders to address the Turkish Grand National Assembly (TGNA) on November 13. Given the upcoming Middle East meeting in Annapolis and the likelihood that Abbas and Peres will meet in Ankara, Post believes Abbas' visit will be of interest to the Department and warrants direct contact with the local PLO representative to discuss it.

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